

Established February, 1845.

—PRICE, \$2 PER MONTH—

Shipping

287 | Hongkong, February 18, 1892.

Entertainments.

THE HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB
Will give PERFORMANCES of the
'BETSY'
By E. C. BURNARD,
ON
SATURDAY, 27th February,
AND
TUESDAY, 1st March.

CHARACTERS.
Dick Talbot.....Mr. C. J. Holliday.
Mr. Bickett.....Mr. C. J. Holliday.
Adolphus Bickett (his son).....Mr. E. Osborne.
Capt. McManus.....Mr. S. L. Mulvaney.
Mr. Dawson (a tutor).....Mr. E. W. Mitchell.
William (a man servant).....Mr. S. L. Mulvaney.
Mrs. Bickett.....Mrs. E. W. Mitchell.
Mrs. McManus.....Mrs. Robinson.
Madame Polenta.....Mrs. Gordon.
Nellie Bassett.....Mrs. H. H. H. H.
Olivia Fayson.....Mrs. E. W. Mitchell.
Betsy (the maid).....Mrs. B. B. B. B.

Doors open each Evening at 8.30 p.m.
Performance at 9 p.m.
Patrons can be obtained at Messrs. LANE, CHAPMAN & Co.'s, on and after Tuesday, 23rd February, at 11 a.m.

A SPECIAL CAR to and from the
Peak will be provided before
and after the Performance.
Hongkong, February 24, 1892. 363

To-day's Advertisements.

GLEN LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.
FROM LONDON, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

THE S.S. *Glenloch*, having arrived
from the above Ports, Consignees
of Cargo by her are hereby informed that
their Goods with the exception of Opium,
are being landed at the exception of Opium,
Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON
STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED,
at Kowloon, whence delivery may be ob-
tained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
notice to the contrary be given before
4 p.m. today.
Cargo remaining undelivered after the
1st Proximo will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Consignees are requested to present
all Claims for damages and/or shortages not
later than the 8th Proximo, otherwise they
will not be recognized.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, February 24, 1892. 375

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.
The Co's Steamship
Doan, Captain Davis, will be
despatched for the above
Ports on FRIDAY, the 26th Instant, at
Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS BARRAK & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, February 24, 1892. 371

**FOR SINGAPORE, HAYRE AND
HAMBURG.**
(Taking Cargo at through rates to
ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTER-
DAM, LONDON, LIVERPOOL
and BREMEN.)

The Steamship
Doan, Captain Davis, will be
despatched for the above
Ports on FRIDAY, the 4th March,
at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SEYMOUR & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, February 24, 1892. 372

**AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY.**

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.
The Co's Steamship
Doan, Captain Davis, will be
despatched for the above
place on the 5th March,
at 11 o'clock a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, February 24, 1892. 373

NOTICE.
**COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.**
PAQUEBOTS POSTE FRANCAIS.

**STEAM FOR
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,
COLOMBO, ADEN, SUZ,
PORT SAID.**

**MEDITERRANEAN AND
BLACK SEA PORTS, ALEXANDRIA,
MARSEILLES, AND PORTS
OF BRAZIL, AND LA PLATA.**

LONDON, HAVRE AND BORDEAUX.
ON WEDNESDAY, the 9th March,
1892, at Noon, the Company's S.S.
CALEDONIAN, Commanded by F. J. J. J.,
with MAILS, PASSENGERS, FREIGHT,
and CARGO, will leave this Port for the
above place.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for
London as well as for Marseilles, and ac-
cepted in transit through Marseilles for the
principal places of Europe.
Shipping Orders will be granted till
Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4
p.m. Specie and Parcels until 3 p.m. on the
9th March, 1892 (Parcels are not to be
sent on board; they must be left at the
Agency's Office.)
Contents and value of Packages re-
quired.
For further particulars, apply to the
Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
Agent.
Hongkong, February 24, 1892. 374

**RAIL PROGRAMMES
FOR SALE.**
IN NEW IDEAS AND PATTERNS.
CHINA MAIL OFFICE,
6, WYNDHAM STREET.

To-day's Advertisements.

**THE KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING
COMPANY, LIMITED.**
NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-
ORDINARY General Meeting of the
KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING
COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the
BANKERS' OFFICES of the Company,
on THURSDAY, the 10th day of March,
1892, at 3 o'clock in the Afternoon, for the
purpose of considering the proposed Reso-
lution which was passed at the Extraor-
dinary General Meeting held on the 24th
February, 1892.

That in the second and third lines of Article
81 of the Articles of Association the
words "One Thousand Five Hundred
Dollars" be struck out and that there be
substituted therefor the words "One
Hundred and Fifty Dollars."

By Order of the Board,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to the Hongkong Land In-
vestment and Agency Co., Ltd.,
Agents for the Kowloon Land &
Building Co., Ltd.

Dated, 24th day of February, 1892. 376

**DAKIN BROTHERS OF CHINA,
LIMITED.**
OLYMISTS, &c.

SYRUP OF FIGS,
Presents in the most elegant form
the
**LAXATIVE AND NUTRITIOUS
JUICE**
of the
FIGS OF CALIFORNIA.

Combined with the Medicinal Virtues of
Plants known to be most beneficial to
the human system, forming an
agreeable and effective laxa-
tive to permanently cure
HABITUAL CONSTIPATION
and the many ills depending on a weak or
inactive condition of the
KIDNEYS, LIVER,

STOMACH
AND
BOWELS,
and is perfectly safe in all cases and there-
fore the best of family remedies.
Price, \$1 per Bottle.

22 & 24, QUEEN'S ROAD
CENTRAL. 374

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
February 24, 1892.

Fukui Maru, Japanese steamer, 1,119,
Barton, Nagasaki, February 19, Coal.
C. R. STEVENS & Co.

Glenloch, British steamer, 1,434, Tem-
perley, Duran, London via Peking, and Sin-
gapore Feb. 17, General.—JARDINE, MAT-
THESON & Co.

Natal, French steamer, 2,243, Veron,
Marseilles January 24, via Alexandria, Port
Said, Suez, Aden, Colombo, Singapore, and
Saigon February 21, Mails and General.—
MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Aviation, British steamer, 1,302,
J. E. Hansen, Calcutta and Singapore Feb.
18, General.—DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.

Doan, German str., 1,248, R. Grund-
mann, Saigon February 20, Rice and Paddy.
W. & Co.

Halophy, French steamer, 874, Fauran,
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Business Notices.

Annual
CLEARANCE
SALE

IN ALL DEPARTMENTS.
NOW PROCEEDING.
SPECIAL BARGAINS.

Hongkong Trading Co., Ltd.

7333-5 Advertiser's Loan.

| Destination | Vessel | Arrive | Date of Leaving |
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| Davao, S. Marang, Co. Bantam (a) | Jardine, Matheson & Co. | March 5, at 3 p.m. | March 5, at 3 p.m. |
| Bromen & Porto (a) | Norddeutscher Lloyd. | March 10, at 10 a.m. | March 10, at 10 a.m. |
| H'ye, L'ou, H'ug & P. Radogahine (a) | Jardine, Matheson & Co. | March 10, at 10 a.m. | March 10, at 10 a.m. |
| Kobé and Yokohama (a) | P. & O. S. N. Co. | March 10, at 10 a.m. | March 10, at 10 a.m. |
| London & Liverpool (a) | Arrol, Kinnear & Co. | March 10, at 10 a.m. | March 10, at 10 a.m. |
| Marseilles, v. Saigon (a) | Massachusetts Maritime | March 10, at 10 a.m. | March 10, at 10 a.m. |
| N'anki, Kobé & Yokohama (a) | Doddwell, Carill & Co. | March 10, at 10 a.m. | March 10, at 10 a.m. |
| New York, v. Southampton (a) | O. & G. S. N. Co. | March 10, at 10 a.m. | March 10, at 10 a.m. |
| S. Francisco, v. Japan (a) | Doddwell, Carill & Co. | March 10, at 10 a.m. | March 10, at 10 a.m. |
| S. Francisco, v. Japan (a) | O. & G. S. N. Co. | March 10, at 10 a.m. | March 10, at 10 a.m. |
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ROADS IN CHINA

Minister Dohmke has just sent to the Department of State a very interesting description of roads in China. Outside of the cities they are of the most primitive nature; during summer they are filthy and impassable, and are practically suspended. The pig-tailed Orientals have never taken much trouble with road-making, partly because throughout the greater part of their country the plains are a network of waterways, natural and artificial, which can always be preferred to that of beasts over the narrow and circuitous mountain passes. Roads for military purposes seem never to have been thought of by the Chinese. The great campaign of the Mengwei and the recent invasion of Manchuria were conducted by flying cavalry along no fixed routes. China has telegraph lines now, but pre-

vions to their introduction intelligence was conveyed to the centre of Government from outside provinces by an elaborate system of post stations. These were placed about thirty miles apart, and relays of horses were constantly kept in readiness for the imperial couriers. By such means despatches were sent to distant

provincial capitals at the rate of 200 miles per day. Kubla Khan, the Mongol Emperor, had more than 10,000 post stations, with 800,000 horses, especially kept for the use of messengers. In connection with the mounted couriers an elaborate system of foot messengers was also maintained. The latter were swift runners and their stations were only three miles apart.

By them the Emperor is said to have received news from places ten days' journey distant in twenty-four hours or information from points 100 days away within ten days. Fruit gathered in Peking in the morning was thus transmitted to the summer palace, distant ten days' travel, arriving on the evening of the next day. Express couriers who carry im-

perial messages between Gurtak and Lhasa, the capital of Tibet, make the entire distance of 800 miles on horseback in eight days without relief, riding night and day. Dispatches are placed inside their robes, and the latter are sealed upon their bodies, so that they cannot be removed until the end of the journey, when the seal is broken by the proper official. These messages are

are proper means. These men are lifted at the post stations from one horse to another, and arrive at their destination with cracked faces and eyes bloodshot and sunken. They sometimes die on the way from exposure and fatigue. — *Washington Star.*

It is reported around town that we are engaged. He—I have heard worse things than that. She—I never have.

The two men had talked for a time in the train. 'Are you going to hear Berkins' lecture to-night?' said one. 'Yes,' returned the other. 'Take my advice and don't. I hear it's an awful bore.' 'I must

go, said the other; 'I'm Barina.

TOMMY—'Mother, what is an angel?'
MOTHER—'An angel is a being that flies.'
TOMMY—'But, mamma, papa calls my
governess an angel.' MOTHER—'Then, my
dear, she is going to fly immediately.'

LADY—'I wish George wouldn't smoke
To be kissed by a man who smokes is

EXPORT CARGOES.

ginger Juice, 100 pkgs; Brnk Mango and
pkgs. Ships Stores; for Bremen, 11 pkgs.
Private Effects, 5 bales Feathers, 5 boxes
Bristles, 92 rolls Matting, 54 pkgs. Ginger
11 cases Sundries, 41 cases Chinaware,
cases Blackwoodware, 1 case Silks and 1
cases Stores; for Genoa, 20 cases Essentia
Oil, 122 bales Canvas, 1 case Straw Hats
from Manila; for Hamburg/London, 7

cases Essential Oil, for New York, 19 cases
Essential Oil, 1 roll Mating; for Antwerp,
27 pkgs. Sundries, 11 bales Feathers, 1
cases Blackwoodware, 56 pkgs. Rattancore
2 pkgs. Luggage, 45 bales Lust Tobacco
from Manila, 21 bales Hemp from Manila
for Hamburg, 45 cases Essential Oil, 2
cases Stannum, 35 cases Vermillion; for
London, 60 cases Essential Oil; for Rotte-

dan, 10 bules Leaf Tobacco, from Manila.

MOUNT AUSTIN HOTEL.

LIST OF VICTORS.

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| Mr E. Byrne | Mr Charles C. Males |
| Mr J. B. Coughtrie | Mr Herbert Odlvie |
| Miss Inaell | Mr Poate |
| M. and Mrs H. B. M. | Mr A. Ross |

Joseph and child Mr Taylor
Mr D. R. Gow

Quotations.
HONGKONG, Feb. 24, 1892.
OPIUM—New Patna, cash, ... 54½
Old " " " "

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| the | " | Old | 525 |
| of | " | New Benares, cash, | 525 |
| Of | " | Old | — |
| like | " | New Malwa credit, | 510 |
| the | " | Allowance, Cattles, | — |
| will | " | Old Malwa, credit, | 510/40 |
| the | " | Allowance, Cattles, | 2/4 |
| the | " | Persian, Oily, cash, | 450/60 |
| | " | Allowance, Cattles, | — |

Persia, Paper and 100/60
 Allowance, Cattle, —
Exchange.
 Hongkong, February 24.
 On London —
 Bank, Wire, ... 2/
 " On demand, ... 2/
 " 20 days, ... 2/

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| 18 | 4 months' sight, | 2 |
| 19 | Credit, 4 | 3 |
| 20 | Documentary, 4 months' sight, | 3 |
| 21 | On Paris— | |
| 22 | On demand, | 3 |
| 23 | Credit, 4 months' sight, | 3 |
| 24 | On Berlin— | 2 |
| 25 | On New York— | |

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|------|--------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| but | On demand, | 100 | ... | ... | ... |
| roy, | Credits, 60 days' sight, | ... | ... | ... | 75 |
| man | On Bombay— | | | | |
| wing | Wire, | ... | ... | ... | 21 |
| mio | On demand, | ... | ... | ... | 25 |
| the | On Calcutta— | | | | |
| the | Wire, | ... | ... | ... | 21 |
| We | On demand, | ... | ... | ... | 25 |
| with | On Shanghai— | | | | |

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|---------------------------------|---------|
| On demand | 77 1/2 |
| 30 days' sight, private paper | 77 1/2 |
| Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per ton) | \$54.00 |
| Severelous (Bank's buying rate) | \$ 6.00 |

Temperature.
(Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co.'s

| Premises, Queen's Road.) | | | |
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| BAROMETER— | 9 A.M.... | ... | 29.89 |
| Do. | 1 P.M.... | ... | 29.83 |
| Do. | 4 P.M.... | ... | 29.81 |
| THERMOMETER— | 0 A.M.... | ... | 65 |
| Do. | 1 P.M.... | ... | 62 |
| Do. | 4 P.M.... | ... | 60 |
| Do. | (Wet bulb) 9 A.M. | ... | 65 |
| Do. | Do. 1 P.M. | ... | 62 |

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| Do. | Do. | 4 P.M. | 66 |
| Do. | Maximum .. | | 65 |
| Do. | Minimum over night | | 66 |

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